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CHURCH ACTIVITIES

UNIVERSALIST CHURCH

The young men in Mrs. Burbank's Sunday school class have organized a "Young Men's Universalist Association," and elected the following officers: President, Harry N. Young; 1st Vice Pres., Chester F. Howe; 2nd Vice Pres., Roger Sloan; Secy., Vivian F. Hutchins; Treas., J. H. Little. Regular meetings will be held on the first Monday of each month. The December meeting will be the annual meeting.

The Sunday school is preparing a Christmas concert, and will have a "Treasure" and supper, Saturday evening, the 23rd.

Subject of the morning sermon next Sunday, "The Power of Thought."

The topic of the evening will be, "Getting and Giving, the Need of Both."

CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

The Christmas side and supper given by the Ladies' Club last Thursday was very successful. The tables of fancy and useful articles, aprons of various kinds, candy table and parcel post all came in for their share of patronage. The tea served in the parlor proved cheering and refreshing. The supper committee have received many compliments for their part in making the affair a success. The Ladies' Club wish to thank the ladies who served so efficiently at the various tables at the fair, and would be most happy to welcome such capable workers to their ranks.

The members of the Sunday School and parents, who were so delightfully entertained at Mrs. Gehring's home last Saturday afternoon, extend a hearty vote of thanks to Mrs. Gehring and Mrs. Mills.

The subject of the sermon next Sunday will be, "God With Us."

Miss Eliza Packard will lead the Christian Endeavor service at seven in the evening.

The Sunday school attendance last Sunday was the largest for the year.

METHODIST CHURCH

The Ladies' Aid of the Methodist Church meets Thursday afternoon with Mrs. Ira Jordan.

Plans for the observance of Christmas are going forward. There will be the usual sermon and special music at the forenoon service on December 24th, but the evening service will be omitted in the interest of the Community Christmas program. The supper for the Sunday school children will come on Monday evening followed by a concert by the children and young people of the church and the church Christmas tree.

A large attendance gathered last Sunday evening to hear Mr. N. R. Springer give his impressions of "Billy" Sunday whom he recently saw and heard in the Boston Tabernacle meetings now going on.

In Mr. Springer's view the evangelist is one of the greatest figures in our national religious life concerning whose sincerity and usefulness there can be no doubt. As to the secret of his power, it was not attributed to his organization, his corps of trained helpers, the splendid musical ability of the great choir and its leader, nor even to his own originality and earnestness in bringing his message. All these things help, and help tremendously, but there is a common feeling that only a rich measure of blessing from God Himself can fully explain the man Sunday and the work he is doing.

In speaking of Mr. Sunday with people upon the street or in places of business, Mr. Springer found severe critics only among those who had not heard the great evangelist.

The sermon on "Mother" was read in part as an example of Mr. Sunday's style, and also for lessons it carried.

Many from other churches were present, Rev. W. C. Curtis having part in the service. All greatly appreciated the address of the evening.

NOTICE

The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Bethel National Bank will be held in the banking rooms of the old bank, in Bethel, Maine, on Tuesday the ninth day of January, 1917 at 10 o'clock in the afternoon for the purpose of electing directors for the ensuing year and the transaction of any other business that may legally come before said meeting.

ELLERY C. PARK, Cashier, December 1st, 1916. 12-7-5.

Barred Plymouth Rock Pulletts from a good strain. Inquire of A. B. RICHARDSON, 12-14-16, Bethel, Maine.

BETHEL INN

Happenings of the Week

Mr. W. W. Hastings was a dinner guest at the Inn on Sunday.

Mr. Frank L. Harlow, representative of the Northwestern Ins. Co., has been in town.

The Wednesday afternoon tea will continue to be held from 4 p. m. to 5 p. m. These teas are given for the guests of the Inn and their friends.

The Blanchard family left for their home in New Jersey on Monday. They called at the Inn, Sunday, to say "Good Bye" to their numerous friends who will miss them very much.

Mr. Robert L. Dempster was again at the Inn rehearsing for the community play to be given soon. There seems to be much interest taken in these plays which promise to be a great success.

Mrs. L. H. Cilley was in Boston on business last week, returning Friday night just in time for the dance. Her return was unexpected and gave her many friends a pleasant surprise as all had expressed regret at her absence.

Judge Herrick joined Mr. Fred Tibbets and Mr. L. H. Cilley at a game of pool one evening last week. The Judge won out although he had not played for twenty years. The Judge hopes that Mr. Tibbets and Mr. Cilley will practice so he can enjoy a real game with them later.

An informal dance was held at the Inn, Friday evening, and was well attended. The Blanchard family motored in from their camp. They are all fine dancers and added much to the enjoyment of the evening. Mrs. O. L. Mills was also present, as well as many Bethel people, and all spent a very pleasant evening. Popcorn and apples were served.

Mr. Robert Winsor, Mrs. Winsor and Miss Winsor were weekend guests at the Inn. They entertained Mrs. Eames and Miss Eames at dinner, Sunday, after which they enjoyed an auto ride. Mr. Winsor and daughter left Sunday afternoon, and Mrs. Winsor stayed until Monday afternoon. Mrs. Winsor hopes to return later in the season for a longer stay.

THE COMPLETED JOURNEY.

In loving sympathy with those who were nearest and dearest to Mr. George Little.

We miss the dear face at the window. That was wont to greet us of yore, And one sweet voiced welcome is lacking.

As we enter the open door, But memories of her gone thronging, And, almost, she is with us here, Just a while seems to hide the loved features.

And the eyes that saw always so clear All the work and the good deeds that Even her mind planned so well;

And the hands so helpful and tender, Can it be they have waved farewell?

Ah! at eve when the day's work is finished

And the twilight comes quiet and grey, They will hasten to light up the home

nest.

Because it was ever her way To keep the glad home fires burning,

With a welcome for every one;

To her there were never shadows For always she looked toward the sun.

Her life was so full of love's brightness

That all whom she knew felt its glow, So our hearts grow heavy with sadness

When God called her to onward go.

Yet to her it was only a journey That should end near the Great White Throne.

Where she waits in God's beautiful country

To welcome her loved ones home.

Midst the hills of old New Hampshire

Her casket is laid for aye,

But the soul on plumes of swiftness

To Heaven has hastened away

And though often one feet may falter

While our hearts beat heavy with pain

In Heaven, where it's always "June-time."

We shall find and greet her again,

Addie Kendall Mason,

Bethel, December, 1916.

POST OFFICE PATRONS

To facilitate the handling of the Christmas mail the Bethel Post Office will keep open until 8 o'clock p. m. on the evenings of Dec. 20 to 23 inclusive.

G. L. THURSTON, Postmaster.

ROUND TABLE CLUB

Celebrates 175th Meeting with Banquet

A most pleasant social event was the observance of the 175th meeting of the Round Table Club at the home of one of the members, Miss Muriel S. Park, Thursday evening last. Organized eight years ago under the direction of Mrs. O. M. Mason who ever since has continued her interest in it and directed its work, it has devoted itself to study, social service and general culture to the great benefit and advantage of all its members. The Club has always maintained a small membership, never more than ten and two of these honorary, now with but seven.

During its life it has had many enjoyable social times, but none better than this last meeting which was made "gentlemen's night" and to which each of the six young lady members present invited a gentleman guest. The meeting opened with the usual formalities and some routine business was transacted. Immediately after its adjournment after a short session the club song was sung by the members.

Then all went to the dining room for the banquet for which much preparation had been made. The room was prettily decorated with potted plants, club colors and banners bearing the inscription "R. T. C." The long dining-table was laid for twelve and made a very attractive appearance. Over the center and suspended from the electrotile was a dainty banner, the work of Miss Marion Frost, inscribed "175th Meeting of the R. T. C." This banner was in red and white, the club colors. On the table was a large bouquet of red and white roses as a centerpiece and from this there ran twelve strips of red ribbon to each plate and attached to the end of each ribbon was a place-card of dainty design in water colors, the work of Misses Naomi Smith and Ernestine Philbrook. On each card was some scene or thing which suggested the name of the one who was to occupy the place. Much jollity was occasioned by the flinging of the different places. The menu was varied and included almost everything that one could desire to tempt the taste. After about an hour devoted to a good time and doing justice to the many good things placed before them the announcement was made that attention would be given to the after-dinner program. Miss Muriel S. Park served as toastmaster in a very graceful manner and introduced the different speakers with appropriate remarks including several laughable allusions and interposed with some pleasing rhymes. Miss Ernestine Philbrook spoke upon the "Club's History;" Miss Marion Frost, "The educational value of the Club's work;" Miss Naomi Smith upon the "Social side of the Club's activities;" Miss Dorothy Hutchins, "The Servant side of the Club;" and Miss Hazel Keniston on "The Club's Ideals." Only one of the gentlemen guests was called upon. Mr. Herbert Bean, who spoke in behalf of the young men and in well-chosen words thanked the members of the club for their hospitality. All the young ladies were pleasing, bright and easy in their responses, and much merriment was occasioned by the exercises throughout.

Following this, games were played, including charades, and finally all the two joined in the singing of several popular songs including the Gould's Academy song and other school favorites. The guests present were: Herbert Bean, Win. Hall, Vivian Hutchins, Earl Watson, Winfield Howe and Lester Brooks. One member of the club, Miss Alice Gunther, was unable to be present.

In accordance with the recommendation of Mr. Allan, State Agent for Rural Schools, the seats and desks of all rooms in the brick building have been rearranged so that those on the east side of the building face toward Mr. Philbrook's and those of the West side toward High street. New blackboards will be put up as soon as they arrive.

WHERE ARE MY CHILDREN?

There is not the slightest doubt but that "Where Are My Children?" the daring photo play which will be shown at Odeon Hall on Friday evening, Dec. 15, has made the biggest kind of a hit in New York, Chicago and Boston, and in fact in every city where it has been seen. It has created a positive sensation. Night after night and day after day finds the lobby of the theatre crowded, and the sidewalk congested by persons desirous of seeing this great film. And the crowd that is formed after each first performance, as the spectators are leaving by one set of doors while others are entering by a different set, is most impressive.

There is no doubt of the success of "Where Are My Children?" in other ways. It has caused much thought and discussion of subjects hitherto tabooed, except in private, and according to many interested in the subject of birth control much good is bound to come of free and open discussion. The fact that a number of cases have of late been prominent in the papers and courts, has militated in favor of the picture, both physically and morally.

The excellent acting, too, has done much to make the picture a success. The fame of Tyrone Power needs no trumpeting, and this sterling actor has entered heart and soul into the character of the district attorney, so fond

of children but with none of his own.

GOULD'S ACADEMY

Ruth Cole spent the week end with her friend, Esther Tyler.

The Christmas issue of the Academy Herald will be ready for circulation this week.

Miss Elizabeth Leslie, Miss Maude Howard, Miss Nellie Whitman and Mr. Elmer Small will spend the Christmas vacation at their respective homes.

The Y. W. C. A. girls greatly appreciate the kindly interest and patronage of the townspeople at their Japanese sale. A goodly sum was realized towards the Makonkey fund.

The Parliamentary Law class has chosen a committee of three consisting of Hazel Keniston, Naomi Smith and Harry Young, to arrange for a debate to be given in the near future.

In a fast, but clean game Gould's Academy defeated Norway High 23 to 10 in the gymnasium, Friday night. The boys played well and the school spirit shown by the student body was such as has not been seen in the recent history of Gould's.

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At the Missionary meeting of the Y. W. C. A

Christmas is Coming

Have you selected your
Presents?

Permit us to call your attention to our
nice line of
Useful Holiday Gifts

We have Presents to suit every taste
and invite inspection

Come in at your earliest convenience and
select your gifts

You Will Find Our Prices
Right

Ceylon Rowe & Son
Bethel, Maine

UPTON.

C. A. Judkins was at Bethel, Tuesday.

Ellsworth Curtis and Henry Fuller visited relatives in Upton. Ethel Warren returned home with them for a visit.

Will Sargent of Riddonville was in town, Sunday.

Albert Warren is working for Campell Co., pressing hay, at Graton.

The Ladies' Aid held a sale of various articles at their hall, Saturday evening, followed by a box supper. The money will be used in repairing the hall.

Don't forget, our store is just full of useful Christmas gifts. L. M. STEARNS.

NORTH NEWRY.

Mrs. W. D. Kilgore spent the week end with friends in Portland.

W. B. Wight and E. W. Wight went to Lewiston, Saturday.

Miss Charlotte Vail visited her par-

ents in Grafton, Sunday.

Mrs. E. R. Barnes and children were in Bethel, Friday.

Earl and Mervin Kilgore are on the sick list. Dr. Tibbets of Bethel is attending them.

Mr. F. O. Walker of Rumford was in this place, Saturday and Sunday.

Mr. H. H. Hanscom is suffering from an attack of rheumatism. Mr. Hanscom went to Bethel, Friday, to consult Dr. I. H. Wight.

Mack Bennett has returned to Portland.

Go to Miss Stearns' for Fancy White Aprons.

Adv.

YOU CAN MAKE MONEY

right around your home, just as hundreds of men and women are doing.

Work is easy, pleasant and permanently profitable. Be your own boss and build your own business. You take no risk, make sure profit right along. Sound name, address, one reference.

L. BROWN, 60 Murray St., New York City.

Adv.

Space forbids mention of all suitable gifts but below are a few suggestions.

WATCHES.

Ladies', gentlemen's, boys' and girls' watches. A pleasing gift. Nickel watches, \$1.25 up. Silver watches, 6.00 up. Gold filled watches, 10.00 up.

CHAINS.

Gentlemen's vest chains, 60c to \$6.00.

Ladies' longstitch chains.

Neck chains,

Eye glass chains, 60c to \$2.50.

Boys' watch chains, 10c to \$1.00.

BRACELETS.

The secret joint and ever popular carmen adjustable bracelets are popular gifts, \$1.00 to \$10.00.

THIMBLES.

Gold band and silver thimbles are useful gifts. Light, medium and heavy weights, 25c to \$1.50.

RINGS.

Diamonds, pearls, opals and other stones in many styles of ladies' rings. For a lady or man a ring is nearly always attractive and pleasing.

Every ring solid gold and fully guaranteed, \$1.50 to \$100.00.

Boys' and children's rings, many patterns. Solid gold, 75c to \$2.00.

Gentlemen's and boys' rings in carbuncles, cameos, signs, etc., \$2.00 to \$8.00.

LOCKETS.

Are selling as fast as ever. I know the quality of my lockets, and am sure they will please, 75c to \$5.00.

FOBS.

Silk and all metal fobs, many patterns, 50c to \$3.00.

BETHEL AND VICINITY.

Dr. I. H. Wight was in Portland, Monday.

Mr. E. J. Tyler was in Berlin, N. H., one day last week.

Blanche Liane of Norway is visiting Mrs. J. S. Burlank.

Mr. Ernest Walker returned home from Detroit, Mich., Saturday.

The Men's Club will meet at Bethel Inn, Wednesday evening, Dec. 13.

Mr. Roscoe Andrews has closed his garage and gone to Boston for the winter.

Mrs. Annie M. Rounds of West Milan was a week end guest of Mr. and Mrs. Ceylon Rowe.

Mr. and Mrs. C. K. Fox and Marion Bean were the guests of relatives at South Paris, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Austin, who have been spending a few days in Boston, returned home, Tuesday.

Mrs. C. M. Kimball of East Bethel was the week end guest of her daughter, Mrs. Norman Sawborn and family.

Mrs. B. F. Fickett is visiting friends in Auburn and later on will go to Massachusetts, where she will spend the winter.

Mr. Bernard Carver returned to his home in Westbrook, Monday, after spending the week with his brother, Dr. I. H. Wight.

Mack Bennett has returned to Portland.

Go to Miss Stearns' for Fancy White Aprons.

Adv.

PAINFUL COUGHS RELIEVED

The officers of the Relief Corps enjoyed a very pleasant afternoon at the home of Mrs. Harry Jordan last Saturday afternoon, when a farewell party was given to Miss Alice Willis prior to her leaving for Portland where she will spend the winter. At four-thirty the guests were invited into the dining room where a collation was served after which all departed wishing her a pleasant winter.

Miss Angie Chapman was hostess at a shower given in honor of the approaching marriage of Miss Ruby Smith to Mr. Ralph Williamson of Gorham, N. H., last Friday afternoon. The guests were invited into the dining room where refreshments were served. She was the recipient of many beautiful and useful gifts.

Say you saw it in the Citizen.

Miss Elsie Davis was in Lewiston, Saturday.

Miss Mary B. Merrill was in Portland one day last week.

Mrs. Wallace Clark was a recent visitor of friends at Rumford.

The Crochet Club met with Mrs. Arthur Douglass, Tuesday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Young went to Boston, Sunday, to spend a few days.

Mr. and Mrs. N. R. Springer, who were in Boston last week, have returned home.

Mrs. H. T. Sawin and son, Glendyon, were week end guests of relatives at Norway.

Mr. Kenneth Wight of Milan, N. H., was the week end guest of Dr. I. H. Wight and family.

The Ladies' Club will meet with Mrs. John Philbrook, Thursday afternoon at three o'clock.

Mr. A. F. Copeland went to Hyde Park, Mass., Friday, where he will visit his brother and family.

At the regular meeting of the Masonic Lodge next Thursday evening special refreshments will be served.

Mrs. Gotthard Carlson of Dorchester, Mass., arrived Monday to spend a few weeks with her parents, Dr. and Mrs. F. B. Tuell.

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Say you saw it in the Citizen.

Every Nook and Corner of our small store is just full of useful gifts for Christmas. Here are only a few of the many articles:

Pocket Books and Bags.
Books for the Children, 50 to 50c.
Books for the Boys and Girls, 25c.
Fiction, 49c.
Dainty White Aprons, 25c and 50c.
Neckwear in profusion.
Dresden Ribbons for Fancy Work.
Stationery, 10c, 15c and 25c.
Dolls from 50 to 50c.
Toys too numerous to mention.
Handkerchiefs, from 3c to 50c.
WE SOLICIT YOUR PATRONAGE.

L. M. STEARNS
MAIN STREET
BETHEL, MAINE

COTTAGE STUDIO NOTES

WATCH THIS COLUMN.

Norway, Nov. 1

Of course you want some portrait work for Christmas—Why not save money by having it done now? All photo-materials cost us more, making an advance in our prices necessary the first of December.

A new size we will make for only \$1.00 per dozen this month.

In making plans for Christmas, have you thought that your friends can buy anything that you can give them—except your photograph.

You do not have to trust a valued picture to an agent when you want a crayon or water color portrait.

We can serve you perfectly in any kind of Copy from old pictures—or new.

Have you looked over your films and thought how they might solve a gift problem?

We make fine enlargements from such negatives about \$1.00 in size that cost you less than a dollar.

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A practical gift is
brings pleasure for m
you many selections.

THIS IS THE SEASON C
URE OF WAITING ON

A Man Like

This store offers distinct advant
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very men you are striving to please.

Neckwear

Large flow
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Ladies' Goods

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Shirt Wais

Bath Robes

Neat plaid
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Beautiful Neckties

Silk-Lined Gloves

Kid Gloves

Kid Mittens

Surplices

In Individual Boxes

Silk, Linen and Cotton

Initial Handkerchiefs

Silk Armlets and Garters in

Fancy Boxes

Cuff Buttons

Scarf Pins

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LOCKE'S MILLS.

Mrs. Norman Campbell passed away at the home of her father, Chris Bryant, Saturday morning at the age of 23. She had been ill for four weeks, but terrible pneumonia brought the end. Her husband, who is in Ontario, could not reach her before the end came. She was born in this place and always lived here until about four years ago when she married. She came on here from Ontario the last of March to visit relatives. Besides her husband, she leaves two children, the youngest one three weeks old, a father, sister, Mrs. Ann Wing, a mother, Mrs. Fred Buck, and several aunts and uncles. The funeral was held at the church Monday at eleven o'clock. Rev. C. G. Miller of South Paris spoke words of comfort.

Mr. and Mrs. James Ring of Bryant's Pond visited with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. P. Farrington, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Tibbets are enjoying a vacation in Massachusetts and Connecticut.

King Bartlett is receiving a visit from his mother from Brownfield.

Mrs. E. L. Tibbets of Auburn is caring for her son's children.

Eldon and Will Goodwin visited their brother, Ed., at the hospital at Lewiston, Saturday.

Fred Lurvey and family from Woodstock visited relatives, Sunday.

Schools commence Monday with the same teachers as last term.

Don't forget, our store is just full of useful Christmas gifts. L. M. STEARNS.

MIDDLE INTERVALE ROAD.

Will Capen has returned to the Capen homestead.

Ara Burgess spent a few days with his mother last week.

Miss Ethel Capen spent the week end with her aunt at Middle Interale.

J. P. Coolidge had the misfortune to hurt his hand quite badly when working with the Douglass brothers.

Ara Burgess is working at Spring's mill.

Attractive neckwear at L. M. STEARNS'.

Sloan's Liniment For Stiff Joints

Rheumatic pains and aches get into the joints and muscles, making every movement torture. Relieve your suffering with Sloan's Liniment; it quickly penetrates without rubbing, and soothes and warms your sore muscles. The congested blood is stimulated to action; a single application will drive out the pain. Sloan's Liniment is clean, convenient and quickly effective. It does not stain the skin or clog the pores. Get a bottle to-day at your druggist, 25c.

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Practical Presents

A practical gift is always acceptable at Christmas and brings pleasure for more than a day. Our stock gives you many selections.

THIS IS THE SEASON OF THE YEAR WHEN WE HAVE THE PLEASURE OF WAITING ON HUNDREDS OF OUR LADY PATRONS

A Man Likes Something He Can Wear.

This store offers distinct advantages to the woman gift-buyers in the same measure that it offers distinct advantages to the men who trade here year in and year out—no doubt the very men you are striving to please.

Neckwear

Large flowing ends, all the newest shades and colorings. Fancy stripes, figures and assorted color combinations. The largest display of beautiful neckwear to be found in Bethel.

Ladies' Goods

A great assortment to choose from. Bags, Aprons, Handkerchiefs, Silk Shirt Waists, Dress Patterns, House Dresses, Underwear.

Bath Robes

Neat plaid and figured effects on cuffs and border to harmonize with color of robe. All grades.

...APPROPRIATE GIFT SUGGESTIONS...

Beautiful Neckties	Silk Mufflers	Girl's and Boy's Toques
Silk-Lined Gloves	Linen Collars and Cuffs	Soft and Stiff Hats
Kid Gloves	Bath Robes	Caps
Kid Mittens	Pajamas	White and Fancy Vests
Suspenders	Ladies' and Gentlemen's Umbrellas	Arrow White and Fancy
in Individual Boxes	Silk Hose	Shirts
Silk, Linen and Cotton	Lisle Hose	Night Shirts
Initial Handkerchiefs	Cashmere Hose	Suits
Silk Armlets and Garters in	Sweaters	Overcoats
Fancy Boxes	Mackinaw Coats	Reefers
Cuff Buttons	Balmacassans	Corduroy and Cloth, Sheep-lined Coats

Our hardware department offers many more suggestions with its Skates, Skis, Sleds, Jackknives, Safety Razors, Carving Sets, and many other useful articles.

CARVER'S

LOCKE'S MILLS.

Mrs. Norman Campbell passed away at the home of her father, Chris Bryant, Saturday morning at the age of 23. She had been ill for four weeks, but double pneumonia brought the end. Her husband, who is in Ontario, could not reach her before the end came. She was born in this place and always lived here until about four years ago when she married. She came on her from Ontario the last of March to visit relatives. Besides her husband, she leaves two children, the youngest one three weeks old, a father, sister, Mrs. Asa Wing, a mother, Mrs. Fred Buck, and several aunts and uncles. The funeral was held at the church Monday at eleven o'clock. Rev. C. G. Miller of South Paris spoke words of comfort.

Mr. and Mrs. James Ning of Bryant Pond visited with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. P. Farrington, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Tebbets are enjoying a vacation in Massachusetts and Connecticut.

King Bartlett is receiving a visit from his mother from Brownfield.

Mrs. E. L. Tebbets of Auburn is caring for her son's children.

Eldon and Will Goodwin visited their brother, Ed, at the hospital at Lewiston, Saturday.

Fred Larvey and family from Woodstock visited relatives, Sunday.

Schools commence Monday with the same teachers as last term.

Don't forget, our store is just full of useful Christmas gifts. L. M. STEARNS, Adv.

MIDDLE INTERVALE ROAD.

Will Capen has returned to the Capen homestead.

Ann Burgess spent a few days with his mother last week.

Miss Ethel Capen spent the week end with her aunt at Middle Intervale.

J. P. Coolidge had the misfortune to hurt his hand quite badly when working with the Douglass brothers.

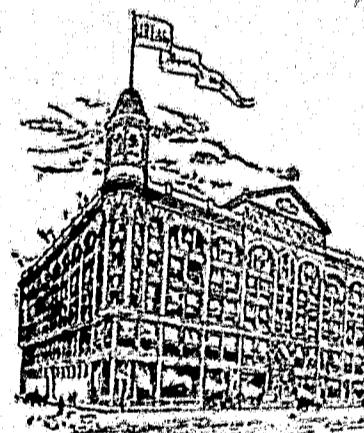
Ann Burgess is working at Springer's mill.

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CANTON

The funeral of Mrs. Dorcas Russell Bartlett was held at her home in Hartford at 11 o'clock, Tuesday. Rev. J. H. Little of Bethel, a former pastor of the Canton Universalist church, officiated. The floral offerings were many and very beautiful. Among those from out of town who attended the funeral were: Miss Cornelia Benson of Brockton, Mass., Fred Russell of Lynn, Mass., Charles Davis of Rochester, N. H., and Perry Oldham of Rindgeville. The remains were laid at rest in the family lot at Hartford Center, beside her beloved ones gone before.

Asia F. Hayford has returned from his hunting trip at South Rangeley with two good deer.

Miss Cora Benson returned to her home in Brookton, Mass., Monday.

Wm. K. DeCoster, a life long resident of Canton, passed his seventy-first birthday, Friday, Dec. 8, and received seventy-one post cards with greetings and congratulations from his many friends. He was also the recipient of several gifts, among them being a beautiful bouquet of carnations from Evergreen Chapter, O. E. S., of which he is an honored member.

The school in the Union District closed Friday with Miss Leahy Whyte, night teacher. Exercises were held by the school, Wednesday night with a Christmas tree and a Santa Claus in costume.

Mrs. L. D. Small and Mrs. E. E. Westgate are among the sick ones.

Mrs. Marion A. Smith entertained Rev. Eleanor Forbes over Sunday.

M. A. Waite, S. B. Ellis of Canton, Freeland Abbott of Auburn and O. S. Waite and Leon Taylor of No. Jay left Saturday for the Four Ponds on a hunting trip.

Mrs. Chas. W. Thompson of Auburn is a guest of her daughter, Mrs. Leon Berry.

Miss Ruth Richardson of Boston University will spend the holidays at her home in town.

Miss Lida Abbott has gone to Rumford for a visit.

Mrs. Hattie Grover of Waltham, Mass., is a guest of Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Richardson and family.

Arthur Sampson met with an accident at the novelty mill at Hartford Center, Wednesday by cutting the third finger of his left hand nearly off. He went to the hospital at Lewiston.

Leon M. Berry is recovering nicely from his illness of pneumonia.

Mrs. Alice Frazier has returned to her home in Providence, R. I.

George Grover, who has been spending the summer at Lenox, Mass., is at home for two weeks before going to St. Augustine, Fla., for the winter.

Two candidates were initiated at the meeting of Pocumtuck Rebekah Lodge, Friday evening, with a fine supper served. Chorus singing was enjoyed at the close.

Mrs. C. L. Warden of the Point is ill and a consultation of doctors was held last week.

The Ocean Park Study Club met with Mrs. Edith Roberts last week. The next meeting will be with Miss M. L. Coburn.

Andrew York came home from his hunting trip with a fine deer.

The next meeting of the Universalist Circle will be held with Mrs. Lillian Dresser.

Mr. and Mrs. John K. Forhan left Saturday for No. Billerica, Mass., to visit their son, Dr. Neil K. Forhan and wife, who have welcomed a young daughter to their household.

Miss Abbie C. Bicknell is visiting relatives in Lewiston.

Mrs. L. C. Stetson of Hartford is ill. Miss Mary Richardson will return home this week from Wells, where she has been teaching a successful school.

Fred Ellis of Waltham, Mass., has been making a visit with relatives in Canton, where he formerly resided.

Alvin Robinson of Sumner passed away, Wednesday.

INSTRUCTIONS TO AGENTS
FOR PROTECTION OF CHILDREN.

The following instructions to all the agents for the protection of children under the jurisdiction of the State Board of Charities and Corrections is the result of recent deliberations and the formulation of the ideas and views of the members of the board and have just been sent to the aforesaid agents by Secretary J. P. Begley:

1. Complaints to courts and trial justices under the provisions of Chapter 329, Public Laws of 1915, should state not only the names and ages of the children, but the date and place of birth as well, if ascertainable. If not, then the age as nearly as it can be determined.

2. Expenses for meals when agents are working in their home town should not be included in their expense accounts.

3. Complaints should be made to the court or trial justice having jurisdiction nearest to the residence of the child, residence in this sense meaning the place where the child is living at the time that the complaint is made.

4. In the opinion of the Board it is inconsistent with the duties of their position for agents to regularly engage in the business of boarding children.

5. The Board does not approve of agents advancing money in payment of the expenses of the support and education of children committed to their temporary custody by the court; they should require itemized bills from the persons furnishing the services or supplies, to be approved by the agent, and forwarded to the proper town officials for payment.

6. Hereafter, except in so far as is necessary to bring up to date any reports of previous work not complete at this time, and in emergencies where the authority of the Board therefore has been obtained prior to the employment, bills for clerk hire, stenographer's services, etc., by agents will not be approved by the Board.

7. Paragraph 6 of the Instruction circular dated April 27, 1916, is amend-

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ed to read as follows: Detailed particulars of all work done by agents for the protection of children are not required to be included in the report. Report will be made upon each open case each month. Such report should summarize as briefly as is consistent with an understanding of the case the work which has been done on that case during the month, the conditions surrounding the children, etc. When the complaint is first received, the nature of the complaint should be definitely stated. Thereafter, it will not be necessary to attempt to write out except in the briefest possible way what people say about the case. Names and addresses, including street addresses in cities, of all persons having any knowledge of the case should be given in the report.

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EFFECT OF GOOD ROADS.

Selling Price of Tillable Farm Land Increases More than Total Cost of Improvements.

To determine as far as possible the exact dollars and cents effect on a county of the improvement of bad roads, specialists of the Office of Public Roads and Rural Engineering of the U. S. Department of Agriculture made economic surveys in eight counties in each of the years from 1910 to 1915, inclusive.

This study of the increase in the values of farm lands in the eight counties reveals the rather interesting fact that following the improvement of the main market roads the increase in the selling price of tillable farm lands served by the roads has amounted to from one to three times the total cost of the improvements. The increase in values in those instances which were recorded ranged from 63 per cent to 20 per cent in Spotsylvania County, Va.; from 60 to 104 in Dixieville County, Va.; 70 to 80 in Lee County, Va.; 25 to 100 in Wise County, Va.; 0 to 114 in Franklin County, N. Y.; 50 to 100 in Dallas County, Ala.; 25 to 50 in Lauderdale County, Miss.; and from 50 to 100 in Manatee County, Fla. The estimates of increase were based for the most part upon the territory within a distance of 1 mile on each side of the roads improved.

In Spotsylvania County a careful record was made in 1910 of 35 farms located on the road selected for improvement. Of the 7 farms sold in 1913 the prices actually paid show increases of from \$7 to 116 per cent over the 1910 valuation. The average value after the roads were improved was \$28.20 per acre, as compared with \$17.31 previous to the improvement. In 1913 four transfers of farm land were on the basis of \$30.11 per acre, whereas the properties were listed in 1910 at only \$13.9 per acre. It appears that 1,431 acres sold in 1914 increased in value \$28,500, or 80 per cent or from \$24.10 to \$44.10 per acre.

In Dixieville County, Va., a careful record was made in 1910 of 35 farms located on the road selected for improvement. Of the 7 farms sold in 1913 the prices actually paid show increases of from 27 to 116 per cent over the 1910 valuation. The average value after the roads were improved was \$28.20 per acre, as compared with \$17.31 previous to the improvement. In 1913 four transfers of farm land were on the basis of \$30.11 per acre, whereas the properties were listed in 1910 at only \$13.9 per acre. It appears that 1,431 acres sold in 1914 increased in value \$28,500, or 80 per cent or from \$24.10 to \$44.10 per acre.

In Lee County, Va., a study of eight tracts along the roads before and after improvement indicated that these properties increased about \$23 per acre, or about 70 per cent.

In Wise County, Va., a study of eight representative farms located on roads showed that they increased in value from an average of \$19.00 per acre before improvement to \$19.44 after the roads were improved. There were increases in valuation in other sections of from \$60 to \$90 or even \$100 per acre.

In Franklin County, N. Y., the figures seem to indicate that the change from earth, sandy, and loam roads to bituminous macadam was followed by increases averaging \$10.50 per acre, or about 50 per cent.

In Dallas County, Ala., careful investigation seemed to indicate that road improvement has added at least \$10 to each acre of land within a half mile of improved roads. Tracts sold at from \$8 to \$10 per acre were again after road improvement at from \$20 to \$25 per acre.

In Lauderdale County, Miss., the total assessed valuation of real property outside of the city was \$2,707,510. This increased in 1914 after road improvement to \$3,183,809, or 15.4 per cent. Local real estate men place the increase in land values an amount of improved roads at from 25 to 50 per cent.

In Manatee County, Fla., careful study of sales and real estate records indicated that the improvement of roads has added from 15 to 100 per cent.

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cent, or at least \$15 per acre, to the selling price of all lands within one-half mile of improved roads. This would give a total of \$611,000, or more than twice the value of the bonds issued.

AGITATION FOR NEW POSTAL RATES.

The ways are now being greased for the launching of the movement for the readjustment of postal rates in the next session of Congress. This problem was to have been taken up in the last session but had to be deferred on account of the consideration required by railway mail pay. Since this has been disposed of the committee are prepared to take up the matter of placing the various postal rates on a more equitable basis.

A zone system of rates for second class matter is being prominently urged to take the place of the present flat rate which was adopted nearly forty years ago. The present rate has for some time been regarded as a discrimination against the newspapers in favor of the great national magazines. Like the parcel post the proposed zone rates would be based on the length of the haul.

The postal committees have been besieged by petitions bearing millions of names and several hundred thousand letters from individuals urging a readjustment of postal rates with a view of making possible one cent letter postage. A survey of the situation indicates that sufficient changes will be made in the various rates to permit the granting of a 1 cent rate on local delivery letters in the next session of Congress.

Chairman Moon of the House Postal Committee, today said: "I think that the Committee will take up this second-class mail matter at the next session and press it to a conclusion at once. While I cannot speak for the Committee, this is my desire in the matter. I do not know what kind of a bill we will pass, whether it will have a zone feature attached to it or not. This view has been presented frequently in years past, and sometimes received favor and sometimes not. As to what shape the legislation will be in I am not able to say, but I am sure the Committee will give it the best possible shape in the public interest."

Commenting on the proposed changes in the rates on letters Senator Weeks, of Massachusetts, formerly chairman of the House Postal Committee and now a member of a similar Committee in the Senate, said: "The Government is making a large profit from first class mail, just how much, it is hard to say, but it must be nearly one cent of every two paid for each stamp placed on a letter. And the profit derived on letters for delivery in the same city or town in which they are mailed must be even greater. In view of this condition, I believe that Congress should take up the matter of more equitably adjusting the rates of postage."

Congressman Ernest W. Roberts, of Massachusetts, takes the stand that "any encouragement that can be extended business by the Government, without injury to the individual, should be done with as little delay as possible. Congress could greatly improve the situation by reducing the rate of postage from two cents to 1 cent on local delivery letters, without any drain on the public exchequer."

Every patron of the postal service will appreciate a one cent rate on drop letters because of the great benefit to be derived by individuals, business establishments, banks, churches, fraternal clubs, and in fact, all forms of business, social and domestic life," said Representative Joseph Walsh of Massachusetts. "And further the reduction will mean no falling off in the revenues, as it is generally regarded that the volume of mail will practically double immediately upon the installation of the new rate."

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All in all, the VARIETY is immense and everyone knows Christmas shopping can only be done satisfactorily when there IS variety.

WEST PARIS GRANGE

West Paris Grange held an all day meeting, Saturday. The forenoon was devoted to a program given in observance of the 50th anniversary of the National Grange. A basket luncheon was eaten at noon. In the afternoon the following officers for the ensuing year were elected:

Master—A. R. Tuell. Overseer—Clayton Churchill. Lecturer—Mrs. A. R. Tuell. Steward—Lorenzo Littlehale. Asst. Steward—Alanson Cummings. Chaplain—Rev. D. A. Ball. Gate Keeper—Harold Porter. Ceres—Mrs. Clayton Churchill. Pomona—Mrs. Cora Stearns. Flora—Mrs. Alice Littlehale. Secretary—John Littlehale. Treasurer—Harris Ellingwood. L. A. Steward—Madeline Penhollow. Chorister—Doris Field.

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BEAR RIVER GRANGE

Bear River Grange met Saturday evening, Dec. 9, at 8:15 P. M. with all officers present. This meeting being the date for the annual election of officers of the Grange, the Worthy Master appointed E. W. Stearns and P. O. Brinek as tellers to sort and count the votes. The following officers were elected:

Master—L. E. Wright.

Overseer—Leroy Stearns.

Lecturer—Earl Davis.

Asst. Steward—P. O. Brinek.

Chaplain—L. A. Roberts.

Treasurer—S. P. Davis.

Secretary—C. E. Saunders.

Gate Keeper—Elmer Bean.

Ceres—Mabel Bailey.

Pomona—Susan Wight.

Flora—Lillian Bean.

L. A. Steward—Eliza Brinck.

Voted to have an all day meeting with dinner, each member having a right to invite one friend of the Grange, besides their own families. Voted to leave the installation dinner in charge of the three Graces, Susan Wight, Adeline Saunders and Sarah Stearns. Voted to have a committee of three assist the Lecturer on entertainment for installation. The following committee was appointed: Julia Bishop, Florence Kilgore and Cora Davis. Under the literary program, first came the reading of the Grange paper by Una Roberts, which was very interesting; Reading of Declaration of Purposes of the Grange by Julia Bishop. Lillian Bean was appointed as editor for the next paper. There were 34 members and one visitor present.

Turkey Gobblers, 5¢ hens, 6¢ Geese.

Large, 8¢ medium, 8¢ small, 10¢ Duck Large, 10¢ medium, 12¢ small, 18¢ Roasters and Fowl 7 to 10 lbs, 8¢ to 7 lbs, 10¢ to 4 to 5 lbs, 14¢ to 3 to 4 lbs, 12¢ to 2 lbs, 18¢ to 2 lbs, 20¢.

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GRANGE NEWS.

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Ceres—Mrs. George W. Richardson.

Flora—Harriet Buck.

L. A. Steward—Mrs. U. S. G. Abbott.

Treasurer—Charles Gammon.

Secretary—Mrs. Annie Goodwin.

Re-elected.

The Overseer and Pomona will be elected at the next meeting, Dec. 23.

Executive committee are: Benjamin Tucker, Charles Frost, F. P. Towne. A full list given later.

The Master, G. W. Richardson, and wife are delegates to attend the State Grange at Bangor.

Mrs. Charles Frost reported as gain-

ing.

Program for Dec. 23:

Singing, Grange

Reading from Declaration of Purpose, Edith Knightly

Song, Grange

Paper, "Something the Grange has done to assist Agricultural Development," Willard Buck

Christmas Song, Grange Chorus

Address, "What the Grange stands for today," Worthy Master Richardson

Closing Song, Grange

UPTON GRANGE.

The annual election of officers of Upton Grange was held, Dec. 1, and the following were elected for the ensuing year:

Master—Guy L. Pratt.

Overseer—Hollis L. Abbott.

Lecturer—George Pratt.

Steward—David Eman.

Asst. Steward—Albert Warren.

Chaplain—Mabel Warren.

Treasurer—Cora C. Abbott.

Secretary—Bertha L. Jenkins.

Gate Keeper—Ben M. Bartlett.

Ceres—Daisie B. Warren.

Flora—Annie Coolidge.

L. A. Steward—Ethel Warren.

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BETHEL AND VICINITY

(Continued from page 2.)

Mrs. Ogden Mills left for her home in New York, Monday.

Mr. L. L. Charver was a business visitor in Portland, Monday.

Prof. W. B. Wight was the guest of friends in town, recently.

Mr. Albert Burke and Mr. A. W. Herrick were in Lovell, Tuesday, on business.

Mrs. T. B. Burke was the guest of Mrs. Emma Bartlett at West Bethel, Thursday.

Misses Edith and Mabel Abbott of Swan's Hill were week and guests of Miss Elsie Davis.

Mr. Stuart Goodwin of So. Paris was a guest of Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Park one day last week.

Mrs. Mae Taylor of Shelburne, N. H., was a guest of the Misses Morse a few days last week.

Mrs. Cora Knight Clifford was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Wood during her stay in Bethel.

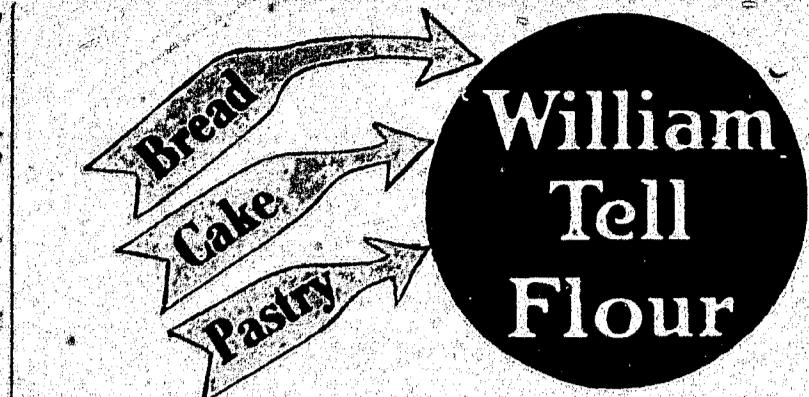
Miss Alice Willis closed her house, Monday, and went to Portland, where she will spend the winter.

Mr. Fred J. Tibbets, the undertaker, was in Portland last week and brought home a large car to be converted into a hearse.

Rev. Mr. Little has accepted the invitation of Thomas T. Ridout Post, 26, G. A. R., of Bowdoinham, to give the Memorial Day Address there, May 30th.

Mrs. Mary Caper has returned to her daughter's, Mrs. Ned Carter's, having spent Thanksgiving with her daughter, Alice, and remaining with her daughter, Minnie, a few days.

Miss Gwendolyn Stearns of Bethel has been elected by the Sac. board as teacher of penmanship and drawing in the public schools to succeed Alvan R. Merrill, deceased. Miss Stearns will begin her duties at the opening of the next term, after the Christmas vacation. She is now teaching the Grammar school at South Eliot.



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Erwin Hutchinson is assisting Mr. A. B. Grover for a few days.

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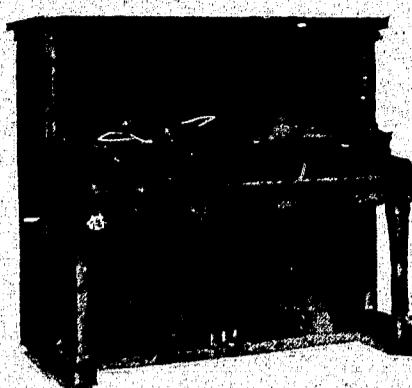
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hardware business here. Mr. and Mrs. Warren went to Boston for a brief trip and will reside in the Clarence Atwood house on Water street which has been attractively fitted up for them. The house was prettily decorated with cut flowers. Only a few of the near relatives were present.

F. M. Cooper had a leg amputated above the knee Monday by Dr. Webster of Lewiston assisted by Dr. H. M. Head.

Mrs. H. A. Irish fell and broke her shoulder Monday morning while going to the house to the wood shed and was taken to the hospital in Lewiston for an X-ray examination in the afternoon.

Mrs. Gerrish of Lewiston is a guest of her daughter, Mrs. H. A. Murch.

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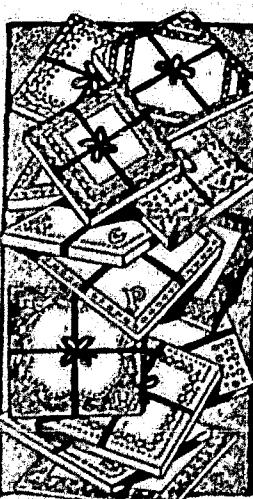
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at night. Encouraged by this spirit
and by the passing of city ordinances
against the use of glaring headlights in
city limits, more than a score of anti-
glare appliances have been put on the
supply market within the last few
months. They sell for almost any
amount, from a few cents up to six or
eight dollars. Notwithstanding the fact
that many of these appliances are open

to objection, however, thousands of
them have been sold, and if the buyer
but knew it he might have used the ad-
justments on the lamps to bring about

a more satisfactory and efficient solu-
tion of the difficulty without the ex-
pense.

Three operations are necessary in or-
der to obtain the greatest amount of
effective illumination and keep most of

the glare out of the eyes of passing au-
tomobilists. They are:

(1) Tilt the headlights slightly down-
ward so that when the car is stand-
ing on the level the center of the beam

strikes the roadway anywhere from 75
to 100 feet ahead. It has been sug-
gested that car manufacturers can be

when the car is assembled.

(2) Frost or lacquer the lamp bulb
from the tip back to within about five

eighths of an inch of the base.

(3) Carefully adjust the lamp to

make the beam of light as narrow as
possible. Carrying out these suggestion will re-
sult in a light of the greatest intensity
concentrated on the roadway at the

point where the driver needs the most

light. As the beam of light is projec-
ted downward the intense rays will not
be high enough to annoy or blind the

eyes of passing pedestrians or chau-
teurs. No device yet invented can pre-
vent the beam of light from rising when

the car comes over the brow of a hill.
Under such conditions each driver
should realize the annoyance his lamp
may cause and dim them.

THE NATIONAL CAPITAL

Events of Interest From Washington.

By J. E. Jones.

THE RAILROAD QUESTION. President Wilson, in his message to Congress, on December 7 of last year, suggested the wisdom of "taking a new assessment" of the railroads and their relations to the public. As a result, the Newlands' Committee, made up from members of both houses of Congress, was created.

Mr. Alfred P. Thon, who made the opening statement to the Newlands' Joint Committee on Interstate Commerce at the beginning of its sessions, in prefacing an analysis of the conditions that are hampering railroad development, admitted on behalf of the railroads that the principle of public regulation is recognized as a permanent part of Government. He said that public regulation of railroads became a fact twenty-nine years ago and that the fight against the railroads since then has proceeded to a large degree along the lines of "a system of correction." In comparing the supervision of banks and railroads, he asserted that the Government's treatment of the banks was in the nature of a constructive program; that the supervision of railroads was "part of a destructive program."

For a dozen years "the Railroad Question" has been constantly before the American people. The difficulty has been that as soon as one phase of the problem began to be understood by the part of the people that might be described as "our thoughtful citizenship," some violent twist of conditions has completely changed the entire situation, and "the railroad question" suddenly resolved itself into brand new shape. LaFollette and Gummel fought the old regime that manipulated the railroads. They early realized that constructive legislation to properly deal with the great "railroad question" should be enacted by the federal government; and both of them became ardent advocates of regulation by the national government, acknowledging the futility of forty-six or forty-eight states attempting to govern Interstate commerce.

Congress has now assumed control of the railroad question and promises to rectify the indiscriminate legislation

fostered at the instance of politicians who have ridden into public office through the prejudices they created against public service corporations. There has been many hours of time in railroad affairs, running over the course of a number of years. Reorganization plans, receiverships and bankruptcy have menaced the country's great transportation interests.

Congressman Adamson, vice chairman of the Joint Committee of Congress, which is charged with investigating the entire railroad problem, has declared that the "railways must be protected." Mr. Adamson is author of the eight-hour law, and this piece of government policy may fall within the scope of the investigation. Senator Cummings, who is also on the committee, is expectant of real results at last for the reform he has so long advocated. Congressman Esh, early identified with the Wisconsin movement, is a member of the committee. Senator Newlands, one of the earliest advocates of Federal incorporation of railroad companies, is chairman. Other members are Senators Underwood, of Alabama; Robinson of Arkansas; Brundage, of Connecticut; and Representatives Sims, of Tennessee; Culion, of Indiana; and Hamilton, of Michigan.

Stripped of "whereases" and "resolves" the entire situation brings itself down to the point where the Government is convinced that the railroads have suffered enough from hazardous legislation, and the opinion is general that the railroads at this time, are, as a rule, efficiently and honestly managed. At any rate, they represent such an enormous property value, and are so vital to the industrial and social existence of the country, as to demand that the responsibility to the public—regardless of capital invested in the properties, calls for a permanent "show down," and a business-like adjustment of the relations between the people's government and the railroad interests. "Government ownership" is one of the angles to the problem that will be taken up.

Government control, of the most far-reaching kind, is certain to follow as a result of the investigation. Rates, securities—and possibly even the question of wages and the hours of a day's labor, are among the matters sought to be regulated. However, there is no disposition to interfere with the valuation and taxation of physical property within the recognized powers of the states.

The present tempo of Administration leaders, and Congress, is to dis-

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countenance a continuance of the existing dual system of State and Federal railroad control and to remedy the evil by assuming full authority on behalf of the Federal Government.

As one of the results of the present inquiry it is probable that the Interstate Commerce Commission will be enlarged and its power extended to cover all carriers of interstate commerce.

It is suggested that districts for the hearing of cases and the settling of disputes may be established, somewhat along the lines of the federal judicial system, where district judges try local causes of action.

If this plan prevails, the right of appeal to the Interstate Commerce Commission, as now established in the National Capital, will doubtless be provided for.

It is also suggested that regional divisions of the Interstate Commerce Commission may be established, as has been done in the control of the banking system of the country.

Perhaps, after all, it is true that the new United States is entering upon a new era in its industrial affairs. In any event, Congress and the Administration never undertook a bigger or more important task than that of "settling the railroad question," which it now seems to be attacking in earnest.

GOETHALS AND HIS CRITICS.

General Goethals says: "As predicted at the time the great Culatra movements occurred, the slides will be overcome finally and for all time, notwithstanding the calamity howlers and in spite of the disastrous predictions of the know-it-alls."

While General Goethals and his associates have proven themselves to be first-class mining engineers, they have been unable to withstand the constant criticism that has been heaped upon them.

Perhaps the principal part of this criticism has been from concerns interested in the manner in which the dredging is done, who miss the plums that fall into their laps when steam shovels were in operation.

It is charged that these interests attempted to close

the canal entirely, and to have a great section of the country drained, in order that the more inexpensive method of "wet dredging" might be replaced by the spectacular, but very expensive method of the steam shovel.

The rivalry among contractors likewise furnishes the reason for the "nigger in the wood pile."

ADDITIONAL LOCALS.

Rev. and Mrs. Curtis dined with Mrs. Abby Bean and Miss Annie Cross, Monday evening.

Rev. and Mrs. W. O. Curtis and Mr. and Mrs. H. N. Upton dined with Mrs. Angelia Clark last Saturday.

The Camp Fire Girls will meet with Mrs. Byrum, Friday, Dec. 16, at three o'clock. They will spend the afternoon in making picture books and dressing dolls for the children's hospital.

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CHURCH ACTIVITIES

THE UNIVERSALIST CHURCH.

There will be a supper, concert and
Christmas tree at the Universalist
church, Saturday evening, Dec. 23, and
it is free to the members of the Sun-
day school, their parents, and all others
who attend services in this church.

It is hoped all those will be present to re-
joice with the children in this, the
greatest festival of the year. All gone
and be happy together. The supper
hour will be 6 P. M., followed by the
concert, closing with the distribution of
gifts which the messengers of Santa
Claus have placed on the tree. The
church will be open in the afternoon
and a committee having charge of the
tree will be present to receive any gifts
that may be brought and see that they
are placed on or about the tree. The
use of the tree is open to the old as well
as the young, that all may feel that
they are a part of the Christmas cele-
bration.

Subject of next Sunday's sermon,
"Christ enlightening the world."

METHODIST CHURCH.

Rev. D. B. Holt, District Superin-
tendent, was present at the service on
Tuesday evening, and gave a very help-
ful sermon on what it means to be
a Christian.

Next Sunday the sermon will be on
the Christmas theme, and the choir is
preparing special music appropriate to
the day. The picnic supper to the
members of the Sunday school will be
given on Monday evening at 6:15. The
families interested are expected to
bring material for the supper without
soliciting. At 7:30 there will be the
usual Christmas concert and tree.

CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH.

A joyous Christmas sermon with ap-
propriate and more joyous music next
Sunday morning.

The usual picnic supper for the Sun-
day school and parish will be served in
the dining room at 6:15, Saturday
evening, followed by brief exercises
and Christmas tree in the chapel. The
evening service will be omitted on ac-
count of the Community Christmas
tree and carols, at 7 o'clock in the ev-
ening on the Common.

The annual Church Roll Call is sched-
uled for the first week in January, No-
tice of the day will be given later.

There will be special collection for
the Maine Missionary Society a week
from next Sunday.

SCHOOL NOTES.

Music in the public schools will be
the chief topic for discussion at the
Parent-Teacher meeting the evening of
Wednesday, Dec. 20. It is hoped
that all who are interested in this im-
portant subject will be present to give
their opinion. One of the leading edu-
cational magazines says: "Music
when properly taught, stands for as
much mental development and general
culture as any other subject in the cur-
riculum and should receive the same
credit toward graduation from the lo-
cal schools, and as entrance require-
ments in the colleges and universities." What
do you think? Come to the brick
building this evening.

The flagpole at Northwest Bethel
was taken down, a new rope put in
and the pole set between cedar posts
is a more desirable position. This did
not cost the town a penny, the work
being done by men of the neighborhood.
It is said that a certain selectman
from that section of the town was the
leader.

Mr. Albert W. Clark has been en-
gaged to demonstrate his system of
writing at the brick building Friday,
Dec. 22. The rural schools and the
schools of Greenwood will be closed for
the day in order that the teachers may
be present. A teachers' meeting will
follow.

Judging by the preparations that are
being made it is evident that Santa
Claus is expected to visit nearly all of
the twenty-three schoolrooms of the
district.

NOTICE.

The annual meeting of the Stock-
holders of the Bethel National Bank
will be held in the banking room of
said bank, in Bethel, Maine, on Tues-
day the ninth day of January, 1917, at
two o'clock in the afternoon for the
purpose of electing directors for the
 ensuing year and the transaction of
any other business that may legally
 come before said meeting.

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